

1 the right, as under the Local Government Article already
2 adopted by this Convention, to by general public law
3 provide a specific time in which all local elections
4 should be held.

5 It would seem, then, in the light of our debate
6 this morning, that the greater wisdom of this Convention
7 ought to be to trust in the wisdom of the General Assembly
8 as events and circumstances indicate to provide for the
9 times of local elections if it need so to do by law,
10 otherwise to permit the local governments through their
11 charters to provide for that situation.

12 Finally, this amendment provides that in
13 counties where there are officials who serve on a
14 staggered term basis, the only example of which at
15 present of which I know is the Montgomery County School
16 Board which consists of seven members, four elected in
17 one even-numbered year, and three elected in another
18 even-numbered year, to continue this practice, or to
19 permit any elected boards that might be established under
20 charter which operate on a staggered term basis to hold
21 those elections in even-numbered years for the number of